

EC-5970. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Operations, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Final Rule to Implement the 2006 and 2007 Fishing Quotas for Ocean Quahogs" (RIN0648-AT85) received on March 7, 2006; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5971. A communication from the Acting Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Final Rule to Implement the 2006 Specifications for the Summer Flounder, Scup, and Black Sea Bass Fisheries and to Amend the Black Sea Bass Regulations" (RIN0648-AT27) received on March 7, 2006; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5972. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Secretary for Export Administration, Bureau of Industry and Security, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Clarification to the Export Administration Regulations; General Order to Implement the Syria Accountability and Lebanese Sovereignty Act" (RIN0694-AD68) received on March 7, 2006; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-5973. A communication from the Assistant Administrator for Procurement, National Aeronautics and Space Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Change in Definition of Head of the Contracting Activity" (RIN2700-AD21) received on March 7, 2006; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

#### EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following executive reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. ENZI for the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

\*Kent D. Talbert, of Virginia, to be General Counsel, Department of Education.

\*Michell C. Clark, of Virginia, to be Assistant Secretary for Management, Department of Education.

\*Edwin G. Foulke, Jr., of South Carolina, to be an Assistant Secretary of Labor.

\*Richard Stickler, of West Virginia, to be Assistant Secretary of Labor for Mine Safety and Health.

\*Jean B. Elshtain, of Tennessee, to be a Member of the National Council on the Humanities for the remainder of the term expiring January 26, 2010.

\*Allen C. Guelzo, of Pennsylvania, to be a Member of the National Council on the Humanities for a term expiring January 26, 2012.

\*Arlene Holen, of the District of Columbia, to be a Member of the Federal Mine Safety and Health Review Commission for a term expiring August 30, 2010.

\*George Perdue, of Georgia, to be a Member of the Board of Trustees of the James Madison Memorial Fellowship Foundation for a term expiring November 5, 2006.

\*Anne-Imelda Radice, of Vermont, to be Director of the Institute of Museum and Library Services.

\*Craig T. Ramey, of West Virginia, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the National Board for Education Sciences for a term of two years.

\*Sarah M. Singleton, of New Mexico, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the

Legal Services Corporation for a term expiring July 13, 2008.

\*Horace A. Thompson, of Mississippi, to be a Member of the Occupational Safety and Health Review Commission for a term expiring April 27, 2011.

Mr. ENZI. Mr. President, for the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions I report favorably the following nomination lists which were printed in the RECORD on the dates indicated, and ask unanimous consent, to save the expense of reprinting on the Executive Calendar, that these nominations lie at the Secretary's desk for the information of Senators.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

\*Public Health Service nomination of Leah Hill to be Senior Assistant Surgeon.

\*Public Health Service nominations beginning with Gregory A. Abbott and ending with Carl A. Huffman III, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on September 28, 2005.

\*Nomination was reported with recommendation that it be confirmed subject to the nominee's commitment to respond to requests to appear and testify before any duly constituted committee of the Senate.

#### INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills and joint resolutions were introduced, read the first and second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

By Mr. LOTT (for himself, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. COCHRAN, Mr. VITTER, Mr. SESSIONS, and Mr. SHELBY):

S. 2384. A bill to require the Secretary of the Interior to offer the 181 Area of the Gulf of Mexico for oil and gas leasing and provide a portion of the revenues from that leasing to producing States and coastal political subdivisions; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. REID:

S. 2385. A bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to expand eligibility for Combat-Related Special Compensation paid by the uniformed services in order to permit certain additional retired members who have a service-connected disability to receive both disability compensation from the Department of Veterans Affairs for that disability and Combat-Related Special Compensation by reason of that disability; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mrs. LINCOLN (for herself and Mr. PRYOR):

S. 2386. A bill to suspend temporarily the duty on 1-Flouro-2-nitrobenzene; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. ALLARD (for himself and Mr. SALAZAR):

S. 2387. A bill to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to establish a national cemetery for veterans in the Pikes Peak Region of Colorado; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Mr. VOINOVICH (for himself, Mr. CARPER, and Mrs. CLINTON):

S. 2388. A bill to establish a National Commission on the Infrastructure of the United States; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. ALLEN (for himself, Mr. STEVENS, Mr. INOUE, Mr. BURNS, Mr. WARNER, Mr. SANTORUM, Mr. DORGAN, Mr. NELSON of Florida, Mr. VITTER, Mr. PRYOR, Mr. COLEMAN, Mr. TALENT, Mr. MARTINEZ, and Mr. THUNE):

S. 2389. A bill to amend the Communications Act of 1934 to prohibit the unlawful acquisition and use of confidential customer proprietary network information, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. ENSIGN (for himself, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. LUGAR, Mr. BINGAMAN, Ms. STABENOW, Mr. KERRY, Mr. DEWINE, Mr. ALLEN, Mr. NELSON of Florida, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Mr. CHAMBLISS, and Mrs. CLINTON):

S. 2390. A bill to provide a national innovation initiative; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

By Mr. Nelson of Florida:

S. 2391. A bill to improve the security of the United States borders and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mrs. BOXER:

S. 2392. A bill to promote the empowerment of women in Afghanistan; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

#### SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

The following concurrent resolutions and Senate resolutions were read, and referred (or acted upon), as indicated:

By Mr. LUGAR

S. Res. 392. A resolution designating March 8, 2006, as "International Women's Day"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. BIDEN:

S. Res. 393. A resolution designating March 8, 2006, as "International Women's Day"; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

#### ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 239

At the request of Ms. SNOWE, the name of the Senator from Rhode Island (Mr. CHAFEE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 239, a bill to reduce the costs of prescription drugs for medicare beneficiaries, and for other purposes.

S. 635

At the request of Mr. SANTORUM, the name of the Senator from New York (Mr. SCHUMER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 635, a bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to improve the benefits under the medicare program for beneficiaries with kidney disease, and for other purposes.

S. 654

At the request of Mr. LEAHY, the name of the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. LAUTENBERG) was added as a cosponsor of S. 654, a bill to prohibit the expulsion, return, or extradition of persons by the United States to countries engaging in torture, and for other purposes.

S. 828

At the request of Mr. HARKIN, the name of the Senator from Vermont (Mr. LEAHY) was added as a cosponsor of S. 828, a bill to enhance and further research into paralysis and to improve rehabilitation and the quality of life for persons living with paralysis and other physical disabilities, and for other purposes.